

**REMARKS UNDER 37 CFR § 1.115**

**Formal Matters**

Claims 1-8 and 10 are pending after entry of the amendments set forth herein. Please note that claims are amended herein relative to the claims as amended under Article 34 and submitted to the International Preliminary Examination Authority on July 20, 2005 (see International Preliminary Examination Report).

Claim 9 is canceled without prejudice.

Claims 1, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 8 are amended. These amendments are largely to correct typographical errors and to avoid multiple dependent claims. Support for the amendment to claim 8 is found throughout the specification, as well as in the figures and original claims 2 and 7.

Claim 10 has been added. Support for new claim 10 is found throughout the specification, as well as in original claim 2.

No new matter has been added.

If the Examiner finds that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees for extensions of time, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number RICE-047.

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